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<TEXT>This letter is in reference to the FCC once again trying to add more fees to my phone bill. I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. Several years ago I was forced to drop my land line long distance because of your fees. Now I will lose my cell service.

I have a wireless phone solely for safety, security and occasional convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Sincerely,

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